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## **Chitina Subdistrict Federal Subsistence Fishing Schedule Announced**

Copper Center, AK... The Federal Subsistence Board announced today that the fishing schedule for Federally qualified users fishing for salmon in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Copper River will remain open through July 13, 11:59 PM. The tentative schedule of open periods is as follows:

### 2003 Federal Subsistence Salmon Fishery Tentative Schedule for the Chitina Subdistrict of the Copper River

Monday, June 30, 12:01 AM – Sunday, July 6, 11:59 PM

**Monday, July 7, 12:01 AM – Sunday, July 13, 11:59 PM**

Tuesday, July 15, 8:00 AM – Sunday, September 30, midnight

This fishery is open, during the periods listed above, to Federally qualified subsistence users having customary and traditional use of salmon in this Subdistrict. A Federal permit is required to participate in the fishery under Federal regulations. This permit may be obtained without charge from the National Park Service office in Copper Center or Slana from 8-6 daily. The permit must be in the permit holder's possession while fishing.

The National Park Service office in Copper Center provides a recorded message phone with the most current fishing schedule. The recorded message is available 24-hours daily and will be revised whenever changes to the pre-season fishing schedule are made. The phone number is (907) 822-7256. Subsistence users are encouraged to call this number prior to fishing to determine if amendments have been made to previously announced fishing schedules.

Regulations governing the fishery are summarized in the Federal regulatory booklet, "2002 Subsistence Management Regulations for the Harvest of Fish and Shellfish on Federal Public Lands and Waters in Alaska." These regulations are available from the National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other Federal agencies, as well as on the web at [www.r7.fws.gov](http://www.r7.fws.gov). Copper River regulations are found under the Prince William Sound section of the booklet.

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